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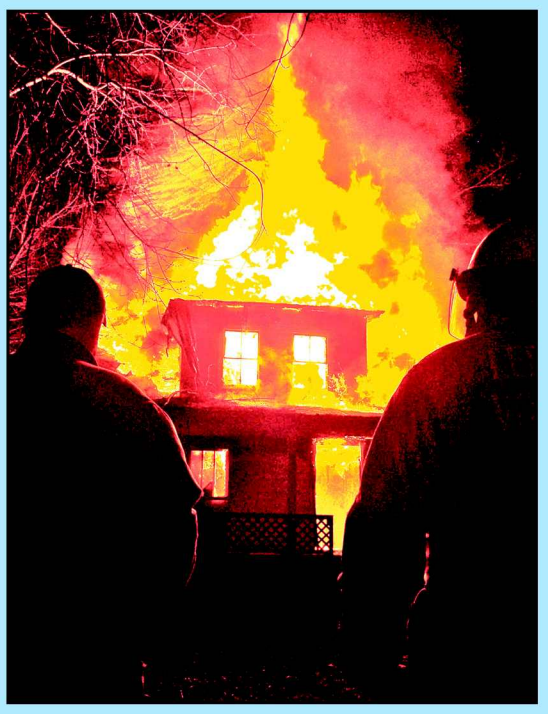
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Learning the hot way











Firefighters from throughout the county met Monday night in the Fillmore community for a controlled burn exercise. Beattyville/Lee County Fire Chief Hargis Ross said the exercise helped teach new firefighters what it was like to be in a burning structure.
Bill Polyniak of Lexington recently bought the old home, and wanted it destroyed so he could build a weekend cabin. The owner of AB Packaging said that he eventually wants to spend more time in Lee County and to bring some jobs here.
The firefighters first had a safety meeting. The new firefighters then went into the house along with some who were more experienced. The fire was started, and the new firefighters became accustomed to wearing their breathing apparatus, and being in a building on fire.
Everyone then went outside and watched the house burn to the ground. They had hoses ready in case the fire spread to nearby trees.

Health care: More urged to sign up

The January 1 date has now passed that federal law required people without health insurance to be enrolled in some plan or face paying a penalty.

However, open enrollment in Kentucky's health exchange continues through March 31.

Teresa Herald, outreach worker for Juniper Health, says that over 700 people in Lee, Owsley and Wolfe counties have signed up, but many more can and should.

Depending on the household size and income the health care coverage can be free or at little cost.

While the initial national roll-out was hampered with technical issues, Kentucky's program has operated smoothly, and is considered a model for the country.

Part of that success is because Kentucky opened up increased enrollment in Medicaid.

People's income that is less than 138 percent of the federal poverty level will be covered under Medicaid. It costs them nothing.

According to the governor's office, 116,152 Kentuckians have enrolled in health coverage since kynect began October 1. The majority, 84,480 are enrolled in Medicaid.

The main target audience of the health care plans, those under 35 years of age, has responded with 40 percent of the total being in that age group.

Also, 1,269 small businesses have started applications for employee coverage; 513 of those have completed applications and are eligible to offer coverage to their employees.

For a single adult, earning less than $15,856 a year, qualifies for the program. A couple with $21,404 in annual income is eligible. For each child, the amount is approximately $5,000 above the amount for a couple.

"For people whose income is above the Medicaid level, but still is low, they may qualify for the state's health insurance assistance program," Herald said. "The state will help pay their premiums.

"Also, if their employer offers insurance, but it costs more than nine percent of the person's income, they would qualify for this assistance."

According to Herald, 249 Lee Countians have signed up for Medicaid and another 33 for an insurance plan. That 282 total is through December 21.

Owsley County's 204 includes 175 for Medicaid and 29 for insurance.

Wolfe County has had 255 sign up. Of those, 190 are for Medicaid and 65 for insurance.

"It is really simple to get signed up," Herald says. "All they need to do is come into our office, and bring income information and social security numbers for everyone in the household.

"They can call me at (606) 567-5253 or email at teresa.herald@juniperhealth.org. They can also call the state exchange, which is kynect.ky.gov, by calling 1-855-459-6328."

Herald said Juniper has hired a person to take care of Wolfe County exclusively, but that person has not started on the job yet.

Four Lee teachers seek national certification

Kentucky is one of the top states in having National Board Certified teachers, and Lee County is working on having four.

Julia Bishop, Lee County Middle School instructor for exceptional children, is about to start her certification.

The other three are all at Southside Elementary. They are Glenna Wright, Linda Begley and Roxanne Evans.

The local district has had national certified teachers in the past, three in fact, but they are now retired.

Kentucky is ranked sixth nationally in the number of national board certified teachers it has working. The 258 that became certified this year bring the state's total to 2,980.

To achieve board certified status, teachers must undergo a performance-based, peer-review process.

Obtaining the certification puts a teacher in position to receive a $2,000 salary bonus for the live of the certificate.

"Teachers are our front line in preparing Kentucky's students to face tomorrow's challenges," Kentucky Education Commissioner Terry Holiday said in a press release. "Kentucky is committed to the legislative goal of having accomplished teachers who have achieved National Board Certification in every public school by 2020. In our efforts to meet this ambitious goal, we will raise the level of teaching and learning across the Commonwealth."

Stephanie Winkler, president of the Kentucky Education Association, said in the same release, "If Kentucky is going to be successful in implementing its ambitious education agenda, the profession must lead the way, with accomplished teachers at the forefront."

When teachers complete the National Board Certification process, those holding a Rank II certificate are eligible to apply for Rank I and may serve as mentors for aspiring National Board candidates.

Ms. Bishop is highlighted in the December newsletter of the Lee County Schools' website.

She is a 1998 graduate of Lee County High School, and graduated Magna Cum Laude from Eastern Kentucky University in 2002. She holds a Masters Degree from Western Kentucky University.

Wright received her bachelor's degree from Morehead State University in 2003 and her Masters from the University of the Cumberlands in 2012.

Begley graduated Magna Cum Laude from Eastern Kentucky University in 1991. She received her Masters from EKU in 1996.

Evans earned her bachelors from Eastern in 1994 and her Masters from EKU in 2005.

The year in review

This past year was one of progress, promise, death, crime and all that fills any year. Following are some of the headlines and stories that caught the most attention in Lee and Owsley counties as published in the Enterprise.

January 3 – "Lee County better than breaks even in latest KIDS COUNT book"

January 10 – Rep. Toby Herald was sworn in as a member of the Kentucky House of Representatives.

January 17 – Dedra Brandenburg was named Lee County economic development director.

January 31 – "Owsley Clerk failed for alleged theft and tax charges"

February 14 – " Police continue search for bob threat caller"

February 21 – "Owsley teacher charged with child pornography"

February 28 – "Bodies confirmed as missing Johnson County couple"

March 7 – "Owsley goes wet"

March 14 – "Tourism hot topic at Fiscal Court meeting"

March 28 – "Lee County bottom 5 in state health rankings"

April 28 – "Doctor charged with sex abuse"

May 23 – "One dead following Owsley shooting" and "Major expansion underway for Jackson hospital"

June 6 – "Health Department could have been in clinic building for lower price" and "Sewer rates jump 66 percent"

June 13 – "Johnson named new boys basketball coach"

June 20 – "Shanna Oliver new Owsley Clerk"

July 4 – "Beattyville to get new bank"

July 11 – "Former Owsley Clerk owes schools $20,000"

July 25 – "A new look for Beattyville"

August 1 – "Cause and effect, St. Helens fire leads to wreck of fire truck"

August 8 – "City gets $$$ for Southside Water"

August 15 – "School board seeks property tax increase"

September 12 – "Feds ask for comments on hydroelectric project"

September 26 – (School) "Tax increase delayed"

October 3 – "Lee Schools one of state's most improved"

October 17 – "St. Helens Park project work should have been bid, state says; Future projects to be monitored"

October 24 – "Not guilty plea entered for Lykins in shooting death of her husband"

October 31 – "Detective describes Lykins murder scene"

November 7 – "Two from Lee caught on Black Friday"

November 14 – "School board decides not to pursue tax hike"

November 28 – "Lanham, Mays to face off in primary"

December 5 – "Shop small generates $20,000 in Lee County"

December 12 – "LAC might get West Virginia inmates"

December 26 – "Defendants ask for release or 'hammer clause'"

Opinion/News Page

Dear Editor

Dear Editor:

It's wintertime again. The temperatures have dropped; the sleet has fallen; the winds are howling; and we have seen snow.

We used to have scanners that kept us informed when the roads were hazardous, storms were coming, schools were closed, our children were dismissed early, and local church services were cancelled.

We considered the 911 workers our friends and neighbors since they looked out for our safety.

But this necessary service was removed from our homes without the local citizens even being informed. Many of our elected magistrates were surprised on the day this happened because they did not know that our people would not be able to hear their scanners anymore.

A lot of local citizens – especially our elderly – say how important scanners were to their daily lives and how they miss this service. It kept them up-to-date on happenings and prevented their being scared and alone.

The election is coming next spring. I'm going to remember this. How about you?

Sincerely,

Morris Peters

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In my opinion



By Edmund Shelby

Two well-known individuals have recently spoken out against income inequality in the world.

President Barack Obama recently said that income inequality is one of the major problems facing the United States.

Pope Francis said, "as long as the problems of the poor are not radically resolved by rejecting the absolute autonomy of markets and financial speculation and by attacking the structural causes of inequality, no solution will be found for the world's problem."

Income inequality has been a problem throughout the history of humanity. There have always been the poor, and there have always been the rich.

However, a middle class developed over time, which served as a buffer between the two groups and gave hope to the poor that they too could share in the wealth of the world.

History shows there have been cycles where the middle class has grown and shrunk.

We are experiencing one of those periods now where the middle class is shrinking and the wealthy are getting wealthier.

Evidence of this can be seen in statistics that were compiled by the Economic Policy Institute.

From 1992 to 2007 the top 40 earners in the U. S. saw their income increase 392 percent, and their average tax rate reduced by 37 percent. The share of total income in this country going to the top one percent of American households increased from 11.3 percent in 1979 to 20.9 percent in 2007.

The institute reported in 2013, "…even though corporate profits are at historic highs, the wage and benefit growth of the vast majority has stagnated. The fruits of overall growth have accrued disproportionately to the top 1%."

Also, during the recovery from the recent recession, that is from 2009 to 2010, the top one percent of income earners grabbed 11.6 percent of income and capital gains while the income of the other 99 percent remained flat, growing only 0.2 percent.

Lee County, being a part of economically challenged Eastern Kentucky, has always had its disparity.

According to Sperling's Best Places, 33.52 percent of the county's residents earn less than $15,000 per year. That compares with just 12.37 percent nationally.

On the flip side, only 4.97 percent of Lee Countians earn between $75,000 and $100,000. Nationally, that number is 11.27 percent.

Education certainly plays a vital role in income disparity, as does location. Where there are few jobs, and they pay little, there are more poor and lower middle class.

So then, what can be done?

Liberals say the fix is for redistribution of the wealth. In other words, tax the rich and give to the rest.

Conservatives say that is thievery. They say people should allow the wealthy to make as much as they can, and for that wealth to then trickle down.

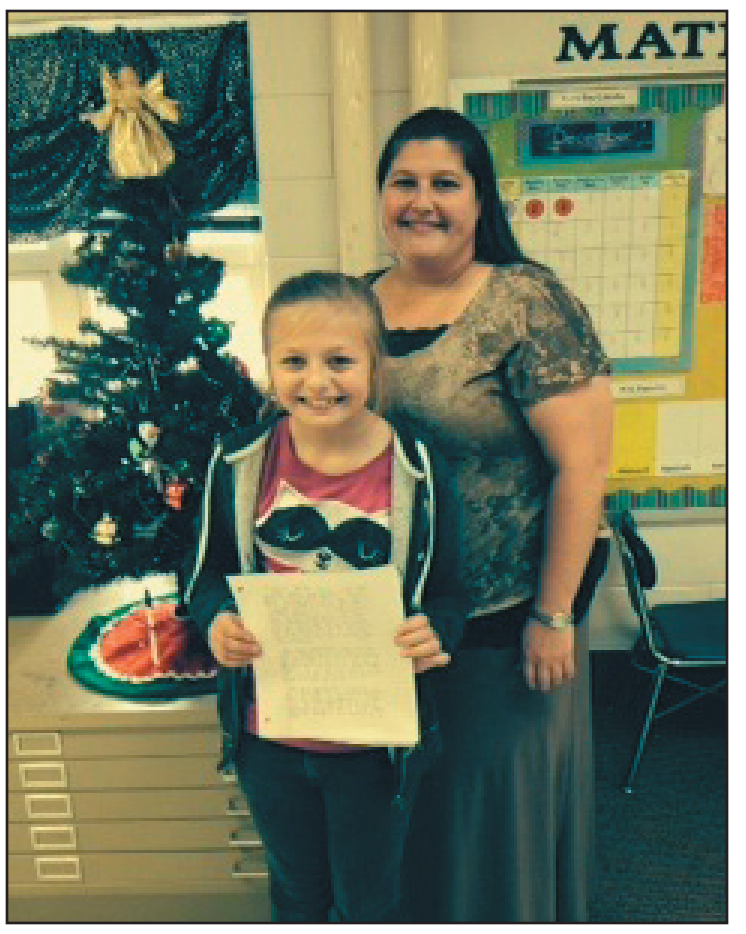
I believe, that since the rich make their money off of everyone else, they should see to it that the middle class is strong so it can spend more. When it spends more, then the rich can get richer, and the society as a whole can work on securing a safety net for the poor.

Happy New Year.

Grandparent Essay Contest winners

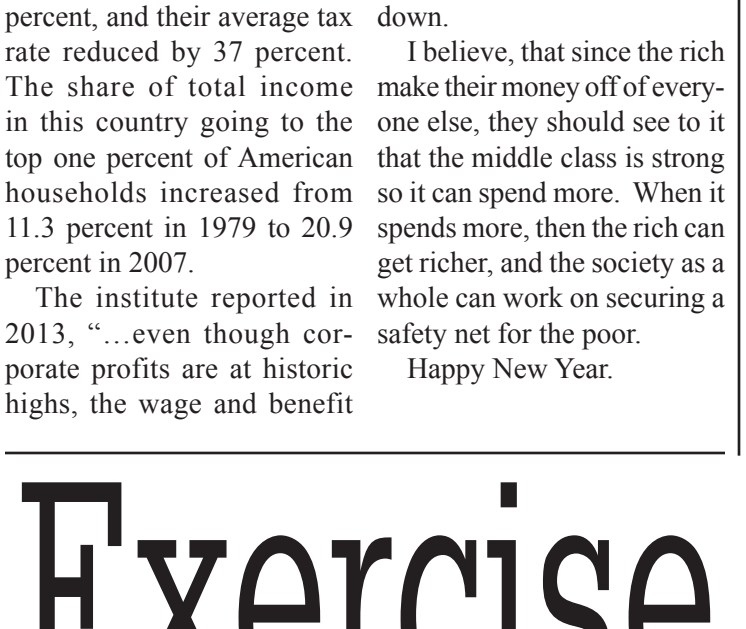


Beattyville Elementary -Erin Paige McIntosh
Mr. James Dailey - Teacher



Southside Elementary - Michaela Fox
Ms. Carol Napier - Teacher

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Obituaries



Marion Barger

Marion Barger, age 75, passed away on Wednesday, December 25, 2013, at his residence in the Lee County, KY community of Spencer Ridge.

Marion was born in Blue Diamond, Perry County, KY, on May 18, 1938, a son of the late Loster Barger and Grace Farmer Barger. He was self employed in the construction trade and was talented in bricklaying. He was an avid fan of University of Louisville basketball and was a member of the Heidelberg Church of God.

He is survived by his wife; Lora Faye Spencer Barger of Beattyville, KY, 3 sons; Shannon Dale Barger, Robert Dale Barger and Johnny Lynn Barger, all of Beattyville, KY 1 brother; Charles (Lorene) Barger of Hyden, KY, 1 sister; Mary Magdeline Barger of Ohio, 2 grandchildren; Jimmy Popp and Janice Spring Whitaker, 2 great grandchildren; Tyler Chase Whitaker and Katelynn Ann Farler. Marion is also survived by a special daughter in law, Eliza Barger along with other family members and friends.

Marion was preceded in death by his parents, 1st wife, Janice Barger, and daughter, Kathy Lynn Combs.

Funeral Services were held at the Booneville Funeral Home, Booneville, KY on Saturday, December 28, 2013, with Pastor Chuck Calvert officiating. Marion was laid to rest in the Barger Cemetery located in the Heidelberg Community of Lee County.

To leave the family a special message visit www.boonevilleky-funeralhome.com. The Booneville Funeral Home in charge of all arrangements.



Doris A. Stewart

Doris Allyn (Stacy) Stewart, age 83, wife of Wilmer, passed away Saturday, December 21, 2013 at the Baptist Health Hospital, in Lexington, KY.

Doris was born in the St. Helens Community of Lee County, KY on February 11, 1930 a daughter of the late Brack and Lillie (Jewel) Stacy. She was retired from the Owsley County Head Start program after 44 years as a teacher, and a member of the Booneville Presbyterian Church in Booneville, KY.

She is survived by her loving husband of sixty-six and a half years, 1 son; Larry (Alma) Stewart of Lawrenceburg, KY, 1 daughter; Peggy (Donnie) Edwards of Booneville, KY, 3 grandchildren; Ashley (Dave) Ackerman, Stacy (Miles) Hartley, and Stephanie (Jeremy) Peavler, 5 great grandchildren; Austin (Shelby) Hartley, Matthew Hartley, Jessie Peavler, Charlie Peavler, and Colton Ackerman , along with many other loving family members and friends.

Doris was preceded in death by her parents; 4 sisters; Gladys Butler, Pearl "Tim" Judd, Golden Stamper, and Geraldine Reynolds, 1 brother; Wallace Stacy, 1 granddaughter; Latoya Edwards.

Funeral Service were held Tuesday, December 24, 2013 at 11:00 AM at the Booneville Funeral Home with Reverend J. Jamison Brunk officiating. To leave the family a special message visit www.boonevillekyfuneralhome.com.

The Booneville Funeral Home in charge of all arrangements.

Tilda Sue McIntosh Fox

Tilda Sue Fox (nee McIntosh) devoted mother of Miscelane "Missy" Conley (Brian), beloved wife of the late Floyd Fox, dear sister of Izetta Davenport, Virginia Holiway, Roy, Kenneth, the late Extera and Ernest McIntosh.

She was born July 23rd, 1949 in Beattyville, Ky. and passed away Saturday, December 21, 2013, a resident of Milford, OH.

Services, Evans Funeral Home, Milford, Tuesday, December 24, 9:00 AM, visitation Monday, 6 - 8 PM.

Brenda Sue Caudill

Brenda Sue Caudill, age 64, passed away Sunday, December 29, 2103 at her residence in Beattyville, Kentucky. She was born on May 30, 1949 in Cincinnati, Ohio to Naomi Gentry and the late Bernard Thomas. She was a manager in a restaurant.

Along with her mother, she is survived by two sons; Brian Combs of Louisville, KY and James Combs of Beattyville, KY, one sister; Linda Willis of Winchester, KY, five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services will be held Friday, January 3, 2014 at the Newnam Funeral Home Chapel at 12:00 p.m.. Visitation will be held Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Burial will be in the Combs Cemetery.

Newnam's Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.



Thelma Jean Lunsford

Thelma Jean Lunsford, 86, of Union, died Sunday, December 29, 2013 at St. Elizabeth Hospital Florence.

She was born to the late Winston and Addie Hogan, Sept. 28, 1927, in Saint Helens, KY. Jean graduated from Lee County High School in 1945 and studied at Northern Kentucky University during the 1970s. She married the late Joseph Garvey in 1947 and the late Amos Lunsford in 1983. She resided in Northern Kentucky all of her adult life.

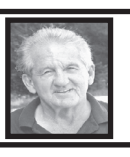
Jean was one of the pioneers of country music television in Cincinnati and was known as Jeannie Hogan. She began singing in the early 50s, first on a daily morning music show at WCPO and later on WLW's Midwestern Hayride. When the Hayride went network, she was singing with celebrities Bonnie Lou and Kenny Price. Jean also did concerts with such country stars as Johnny Cash, Skeeter Davis, and Marty Robbins.

Jean was of the Baptist faith and a member of the Eastern Star. She loved spending winters in Florida.

Jean is survived by two sons: Michael M. Garvey (Barbara) of Hanover, IN and Matthew J. Garvey (Diana) of Ocilla, GA and a step son, W. Bruce Lunsford of Louisville; she is survived by five grandchildren and three step grandchildren and four great grandchildren and six step great grandchildren. Jean is also survived by one sister, Addie "Tat" Trapp of Walton.

Expressions of sympathy may take the form of donations to a charity of the donor's choice. Contributions can be made through the Chambers and Grubbs Funeral Home: 11382 Madison Pike, Independence, KY 41051.

A private graveside service will be held in early January. Online condolences may be expressed to www.chambersand-grubbs.com.



Preacher Bob's Korner

By Billy A. Davis

A NEW LOOK FOR A NEW YEAR

LOOK UP

The Psalmist put forth these inspiring words, "My voice shalt thou hear in the morning, O Lord; in the morning will I direct by prayer unto thee, and will look up." (5:3) He said he will start the day by looking up to God in prayer. That is the way to start the day. Repeating this story: A fellow who was fearful on the elevator was told if he would look up and not down he would not be fearful.

God has designed it that we have to look up to view the heavens. Heaven is always seen as being up.

LOOK AROUND

During this next year, we will come across many people around us who are in need of encouragement and help. Let us try to do some focusing in on them and their needs. "A friend in need is a friend in deed."

Seneca said, "I truly enjoy no more of the world's good things than what I willingly distribute to the needy."

Beecher adds, "In this world it is not what we take up, but what we give up that makes us rich.

LOOK BACK

Paul said, "…I count not myself to have apprehended, but this one thing I do: forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before. I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." (Philipp. 3:13-14)

Great instruction, but I believe Paul did not say that we are not to look back to our past blessing or the hand of work of God. We should look back – not forget- the things God has done for us. Don't believe Paul meant to forget these things.

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A different view

By Betty Crabtree



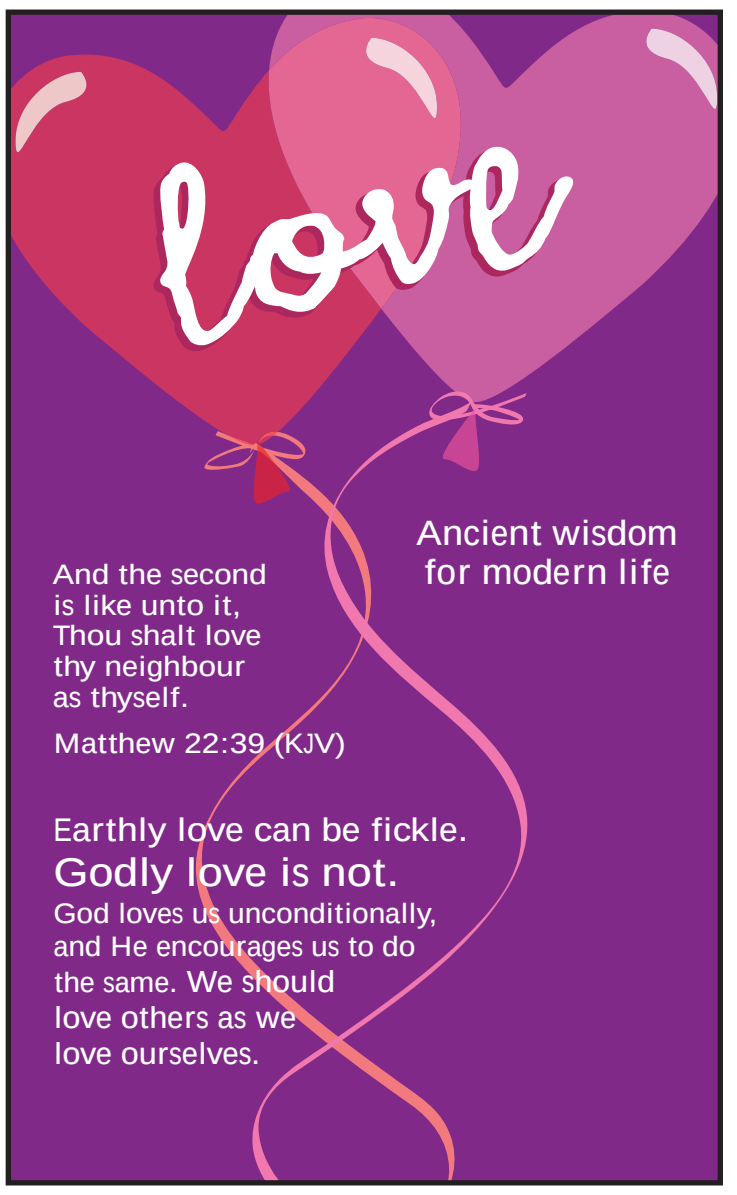
One of my favorite verses in the Bible is Romans 8:28. In the NKJV it reads this way; "And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose."

Now do I fully grasp the ALL things? No! And there is a key phrase in the verse that is interesting. The ALL things that work together for good is for those who love God. Well, I'm sure glad, since I love God. And I think this is interesting too, the 'good' are for those who are the called according to His purpose. The word purpose in the Greek is prothesis from #4286 in the Strong's Concordance, suggesting a deliberate plan, a proposition, an advance plan, an intention, a design.

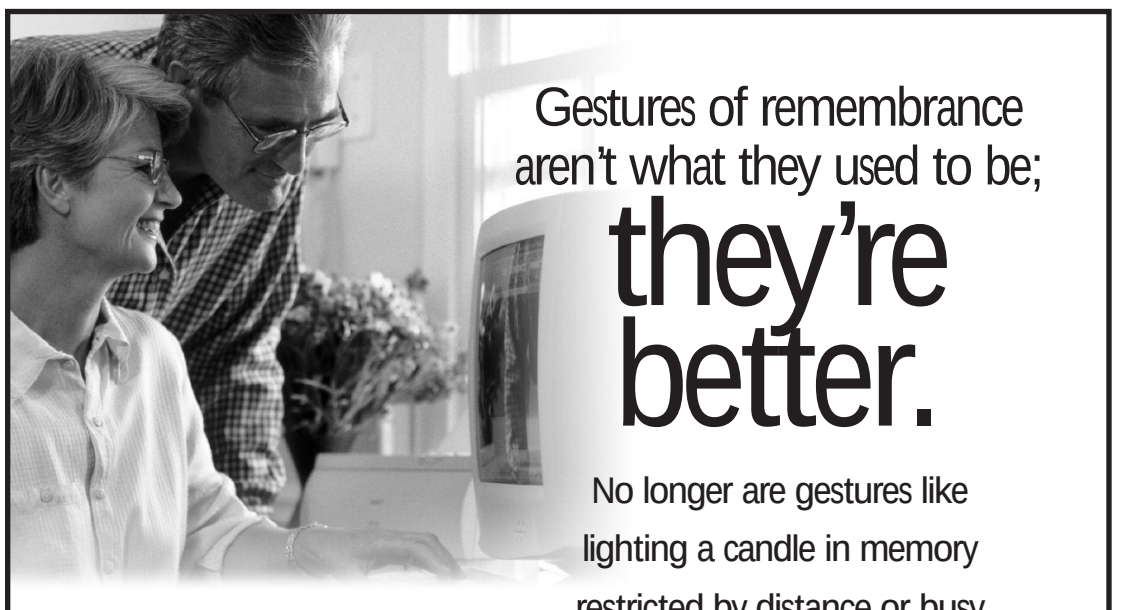
Hmmm, that's thought provoking. Why? Because I have experienced some tough places in my life. I'm not complaining, but there have been some BIG chug-holes in my road of life.

I may not understand the 'why's' in life but I have found comfort in the Scriptures and the promises given, especially I Corinthians 10:13 and Philippians 4:6-7 and Proverbs 3:5-6. It reads this way in the Message Bible. "Trust God from the bottom of your heart; don't try to figure out everything on your own. Listen for God's voice in everything you do, everywhere you go; He's the one who will keep you on track."

For that I am grateful. Good news!



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LEE COUNTY SCHOOL NEWS







8th grade visits BCTC & Ale 8 One factory

Article and Photos by Matt Watterson, Gear-Up Specialist

How soon is too soon to start preparing for life after high school? Apparently, this year's 8th grade class thinks they should start now. During their tour of Bluegrass Community and Technical College on Friday, December 6, students were introduced to the Winchester campus in addition to topics such as financial aid, KEES money and the importance of time management. They were shown classrooms, computer labs, administration offices as well as the on-site daycare facility. After the tour, a representative of the college conducted a question and answer session about class schedules tuition, and careers.

Following lunch, students went on a short tour of the Ale 8 factory, which was also in Winchester. The tour began with a presentation on the history of Ale 8 and demonstrated the process of bottling Kentucky's own soft drink from the rinsing of the bottles to the loading of pallets for distribution. Then, a tour guide walked the students through the plant. Students were actually able to watch the process for themselves.

College preparedness

By Austin Moore

Here in the last few years it seems that freshman in college are having a hard time adjusting. Some professors would say the students are just simply not prepared. Professor Lanantum states "He was surprised by how many of his college freshman wanted answers given to them and did not take responsibility for their own education". I think high schools leave their students unprepared for college when they graduate, because the teachers make it easier for their students by extending deadlines and always giving them an opportunity to make up all their work.

During my high school career, I didn't think much about college, but within the first semester of my senior year I have taken and passed two dual credit classes. By taking these classes I have learned how to be more responsible and how try to balance school over my personal life. I think all high school students should take college classes.

These college classes have also taught me that I need to learn how to study and take notes better. For one of my online classes all we did was take notes, and I learned that I have to pay attention all the time in order to understand and make sure I get the most important parts written down to study. I also learned that it's very important to look at your notes whenever you can, instead of trying to cram the night before. Procrastination is something that everyone has tried in high school, but it doesn't work well with college courses.

Another thing students can do to prepare for college is to make sure they give effort on everything. By doing this, it will make it a lot easier to meet all your benchmarks on the ACT. This is very important so you don't have to take remedial classes in college. These classes are a waste of both the college professor's time and the student's time because they don't count for any college credit. You have to meet your benchmark that is why it is very important to pay attention in class, so you will have the knowledge to pass the benchmarks.

All these things that are listed are some things that are very important when it comes to getting prepared for college. You should try to learn how to take notes and study while you are in high school, so it'll make it a lot easier to do so when you are attending college. You should always try your hardest in school. This will make it easier to learn, and also more rewarding when you achieve your goal, such as the ACT benchmarks. The future graduates of Lee County High School need to understand that once you graduate high school it's a different world when it comes to college.

AARP/KRTA Grandparents essay contest

By Judy Jennings,
Lee Co. KRTA Public Relations Chair

Every year the AARP/KRTA Grandparent Essay Contest takes place in fifth grade elementary schools across the State of Kentucky.

Fifth grade teachers select a student to represent their school.

This year Lee Co. KRTA Chapter is proud to congratulate the winners from each of our elementary schools by having their Grandparent Essays printed in each of our local Lee County Newspapers.

Please enjoy reading these joyous words of appreciation from two wonderful students.

The School Winners and their teachers are as follows:

Beattyville Elementary - Erin Paige McIntosh; Mr. James Dailey - Teacher

Southside Elementary - Michaela Fox; Ms. Carol Napier - Teacher.

Raised with love and care

By Michaela Fox - Southside Elementary

My Great-Grandmother, Grovie Adkins had a hard time growing up from having polio when she was three years old to having open heart surgery when she was older. From all that trouble until now she takes care of five great-grandchildren: my three brothers Jacob, Jack, and Jayce, and she takes care of my sister Cayden and also takes care of me. She has raised me since I was a newborn and she cared for me when my mother wasn't around.

My Great-Grandmother loves me no matter what and when I need someone she is always there for me. She raised me from the moment I came through the front door into her house, until today. That is one of the main reasons I love her because she is there for me when I need a shoulder to cry on.

My Great-Grandmother is not rich but, if it wasn't for her right now I wouldn't have the clothes I wear and I wouldn't' have the food that I eat. Instead of buying the things I want I would rather have the things I need because she isn't rich.

She is nice to people and me too. I am glad that I live with my Great-Grandmother and that she has raised me. She has shaped me into the girl I am today. She has taught me right from wrong and she taught me manners, like to be kind to others, not to be rude and not to be foolish. I love her so much and I appreciate everything she has done for me from raising me to shaping me. I am proud just to say that I love her more than anything and everything.

She has turned from poor to rich well, rich with love from her great-grandchildren. I will always appreciate the things she has done for me and the love she has given me. And just to say because of that she is the best great-grandparent I have and will be forever. I also have one special love from her and she will too, just from me.



LCMS named National Beta School of Distinction

By DeAnna Deaton

On, November 25, 2013, Lee County Middle School was named a National Beta School of Distinction. The LCMS National Junior Beta Club sponsor, Mrs. Debra Smith and beta club members were honored with this recognition because they have shown commitment to academic rigor and dedication to preparing students for college and career readiness.

Lee County Middle School Beta Club was also recognized for promoting high academic achievement, rewarding and nurturing worthy character, improving student leadership skills, and encouraging service to others. The beta club members in this school understand the importance of these qualities and exemplify the Beta motto, Let Us Lead by Serving Others. National Beta Club members are provided a unique learning experience and participate in activities that ensure all students can achieve success.

Incoming!

By Erin Paige McIntosh, Beattyville Elementary

Incoming! My Grandma, Billie K. Dunaway, is a Superhero! She can take you places you have never been before. My Grandma is the only one at her apartment complex with these powers. She may be 77 years old, but she can sure have fun! My Grandma loves going to second-hand stores. She loves to wear jewelry. Do you know why? She wears it because she loves to sparkle.

My Grandma's childhood was a big part of her life. My Grandma grew up in Beattyville, Kentucky. She went to an old country school. She worked in the fields after school. Then, she did some of her chores. Some of her chores were feeding the cows, chickens, horses, and pigs. She also had to care for the garden, help on wash day, and care for her younger siblings. At school, they did math and reading. The punishments were different back then. If you got in trouble you would have to sit in the corner, get a mark, or get paddled. After chores and school, she would play games. She played checkers, tag, and marbles. Their food came from the animals. The milk came from cows. Eggs came from chickens. My Grandma got meat from the pigs and the cows. They didn't have a lot of money, so their mom made their clothes.

My Grandma wanted to become a teacher. She had 8 kids in her younger years of age. So, her college dreams vanished. She worked at Lee County High School as a lunchroom aid soon after school. Later on in life, she worked at the Lee County Rehabilitation Home as a cook. Now my Grandma doesn't work anywhere. My Grandma is a very intelligent woman.

My Grandma has learned many lessons in life. She will tell you that you learn from your mistakes. One of her favorite life lessons is, "I was raised up and taught to work, respect all people, and do my best at all I have done and what I will do. My parents always worked hard and I wanted to follow in their footsteps. I got married and had 8 kids of my own. They are all good kids and I am proud of them. I owe this all to my own parents." I have learned many things from my Grandma. She has taught me to try hard and do my best. She has also taught me to pray and thank God everyday for my life and the life around me.

Even though my Grandma is in her old age, she is still fun to be around. My Grandma has taught me so many things! She has many different feelings. She will make you feel at home wherever you are! My Grandma is an awesome person! That's why you should pick her for the Best Grandparent!

See Photos of winners on page 2





5 names drawn for prizes at Jacks IGA

Jack Gross of Jack's IGA in Beattyville held a raffle for 5 different $100 prizes where all proceeds go to support the class if 2014 toward their goal of a trip to our nation's capital. These members of the Class of 2014 pictured drawing are, left to right Sheyenne Johnson, Taylor Lainhart, Kenzi Newton, and owner Jack Gross. The 5 winners were Teresa Noe, Edna Cockerham, Brenda Brewer, Sandy Gay, and Ed Addison. Lee Co High School would like to thank Jack for supporting our kids. This raised over $1100 towards their trip.

Sports

LCHS teams pick up needed wins

Lee County's Bobcats came home from the Monticello Banking Company's Holiday Classic with two important wins.

On Friday the Bobcats defeated McCreary Central 100 to 86, and then on Saturday they topped Clay County, TN 70 to 64.

The Bobcats now stand at three and 10 on the season.

Their next game is at home this Friday against Estill County.

The two teams met December 6 in Irvine with Estill winning 69 to 48.

The Lee County Lady Kats beat Jackson City Monday 67 to 54, improving their record to three wins and six defeats.

Their next game is Friday at home against Estill County.

The Lady Kats won the first meeting on December 6 in Irvine, 60 to 50.



LCHS hosts first alumni game

Submitted by David Lyons

On Dec 20 following the LCHS Lady Kats Vs Riverside Christian game, LCHS hosted our first alumni game of the year. Pictured left to right in back are Courtney Johnson, Kristy Dunaway, Jessica Napier, Jessica Botner Wilson, Sammy Jo Wylie, Front row L to R Nickia Combs, Sara Ross, Natalie Land, Breanne Durbin, Cayla Combs

We look forward to doing this again and want more participants. Please search for "Lee Co High School Beattyville Ky" on Facebook and "like" our page for school news and announcements. Please leave your name and number at the school 464-5005 if you would like to participate in our upcoming alumni games. Thanks for supporting our kids and our schools!



Big Blue wins big rivalry

Photo top – UK runs its offense in Saturday's 73-66 win over Louisville at Rupp Arena.

Photo bottom – U of L's Coach Rick Pitino and UK's Coach John Calipari share a word before Saturday's game.

(Photos by Donna Gray)





Jokes and Riddles

Q: What do you call a bear from Alaska with no ears?

A: B!

Q: Why are igloos round?

A: So polar bears can't hide in the corners!



What Rhymes with...



List 10 words that rhyme with "big."

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____

7. _____ 8. _____ 9. _____

10. _____

Some answers: brig, dig, fig, gig, jig, pig, rig, swig, twig, wig

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Courthouse Page

Three Forks Jail Report

Jerry Addison, charge: assault, 2nd degree; charge: robbery, 2nd degree.

Joseph L. Banks, charge: nonsupport.

Elisabeth Brandenburg, charge: trafficking in controlled substance, 1st degree 1st offense (> or – DU opiates).

Michelle Brandenburg, charge: criminal trespass, 1st degree; charge: harassment (no physical contact).

Justin G. Cater, charge: criminal trespass, 1st degree; charge: harassment – physical contact no injury.

Stephanie R. Cato, charge: careless driving; charge: operating motor vehicle under influence alcohol/drugs/etc., 1st offense.

Christopher Allen Comperry, charge: nonpayment of fines; charge: nonpayment of fines.

Dustin S. Crump, charge: trafficking in controlled substance, 1st degree, 1st offense.

Samantha Daniel, charge: assault, 2nd degree; charge: robbery, 2nd degree.

Rogia L. Davis, charge: weekender.

Justin P. Deaton, charge: alcohol intoxication in a public place (1st and 2nd offense).

Wayne C. Donathan, charge: burglary, 2nd degree.

Travis Dunaway, charge: serving warrant for other police agency; charge: flagrant nonsupport.

Kenneva Fultz, charge: stockyard license/bond violation – (class B).

Brian D. Gross, charge: serving bench warrant for court; charge: serving bench warrant for court.

David Arthur Haddix, charge: serving bench warrant for court; charge: serving bench warrant for court.

Gentery Hale, charge: manufacturing methamphetamine, 1st offense; charge: unlawful possession of a meth precursor, 1st offense.

Rodney S. Hix, charge: alcohol intoxication in a public place (1st and 2nd offense).

Tommy Howard, charge: serving bench warrant for court.

William E. Hyden, charge: sering warrant for other police agency; charge: alcohol intoxication in a public place (1st and 2nd offense).

Sasha M. Johnson, charge: theft by unlawful taking or disposition, all others $500 or more but under $10,000.

Irene E. Kilburn, charge: public intoxication controlled substance.

Douglas W. Kilgore, charge: failure to appear.

Melissa C. Long, charge: violation of a Kentucky EPO/DVO.

Anthony D. Martin, charge: conspiracy to traffic in controlled substance, 1st degree, 2nd or > offense.

Jessica Renee Mays, charge: flagrant nonsupport.

James T. Moore, charge: serving warrant for other police agency; charge: assault, 2nd degree.

David D. Neace, charge: serving warrant for other police agency; charge: criminal mischief, 1st degree.

Charles J. Noble, charge: assault, 4th degree (domestic violence) minor injury; charge: flagrant nonsupport; charge: probation violation for felony offense.

Kyle N. Owen, charge: alcohol intoxication in a public place (1st and 2nd offense); charge: criminal trespassing, 3rd degree; charge: failure to appear, citation for misdemeanor.

James Douglas Patrick, charge: violation of a Kentucky EPO/DVO (date 12/17/2013).

James Douglas Patrick, charge: violation of a Kentucky EPO/DVO (date 12/21/2013).

Jeffery Perry, charge: serving bench warrant for court.

James Lee Prater, charge: theft by unlawful taking or disposition under $500.

Mathew C. Risner, charge: robbery, 2nd degree.

David Roberts, charge: fraud use of credit card after reported lost/stolen $500<$10,000 within six months.

Kimberly Roberts, charge: criminal possession of forged instrument, 3rd degree.

Richard Andrew Robinson, charge: receiving stolen property under $10,000.

Christopher H. Ross, charge: flagrant nonsupport.

Olympia Ross, charge: theft by unlawful disposition controlled substance under $10,000; charge: possession controlled substance, 3rd degree; charge: drug paraphernalia, buy/possess.

Jessica Charlene Segraves, charge: operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs/etc., 1st offense; charge: license to be in possession.

William R. Sloas, charge: persistent felony offender II.

Mima Stamper, charge: assault, 2nd degree.

Brandon L. Staton, charge: burglary, 2nd degree.

Shonda G. Sumner, charge: assault, 4th degree (domestic violence) minor injury; charge: assault, 4th degree (minor injury); charge: terroristic threatening, 3rd degree.

Matthew Szabo, charge: alcohol intoxication in a public place (1st and 2nd offense).

Joseph M. Taulbee, charge: receiving stolen property under $10,000.

Thelma M. Warner, charge: contempt of court libel/slander resistance to order.

Clyde Watkins, charge: manufacturing methamphetamine, 1st offense; charge: unlawful possession of meth precursor, 1st offense.

Rebecca Wireman, charge: contempt of court libel/slander resistance to order.

Deeds

Deed

Eugene Dickerson and Marcia Dickerson of KY 498 to Pepper Hardy and Joyce Hardy of Irvine a tract of land between Old KY 11 and new KY 11.
Recorded December 17.

Deed

David Johnson and Deana Johnson of Kettering, OH to Donavan Hornsby of Shoemaker Ridge a tract of land in Lee County.
Recorded December 18.

Deed

James P. Mays and Betty Mays of KY 587, McKee, to Michael Helton and Rebecca A. Helton of Williamsburg, OH a tract of land on the Grassy Branch of Sturgeon Creek.
Recorded December 19.

Deed

Jeffrey L. Neal of Hamilton, OH and Theressa L. Bramkamp Neal of Hamilton, OH to Geoffrey Graham and Kellie K. Graham of Nazareth, PA a tract of land in the Sunrise Mountain Retreat.
(Recording date not readable.)

Deed

Commonwealth of Kentucky to the Lee County Fiscal Court a tract of land on the Beattyville-Zachariah Road.
Recorded December 23.

Quitclaim Deed

Roy C. Hogan and Joyce a Hogan of Pasco County, FL to Roy C. Hogan and Joyce A. Hogan of Spring Hill, FL two tracts of land in Lee County.
Recorded December 30.

Judge Jones attends Circuit Judge's fall college

Circuit Court Judge Thomas P. Jones, who represents Lee, Estill and Owsley counties, participated in the 2013 Circuit Judges Fall College that took place Nov. 18-20 in Lexington. The Administrative Office of the Courts provided the judicial education program for the state's circuit judges.

The judges received updates on case law and legislation and attended sessions on court technology, bail, e-discovery, and court interpreting for individuals who are deaf or non-English-speaking. The judges also heard from Chief Justice of Kentucky John D. Minton Jr. about trends in the state court system.

"While justice remains as the core of what we do, certain aspects of being a judge have changed since many of us took office," said Jefferson Family Court Judge Stephen M. George, who was elected president of the Kentucky Circuit Judges Association at the college. "Today, the makeup of our citizenry is different, technology is part of everyday life and we're operating under a budget crisis. These factors affect the way judges carry out our duties, and it's important that we use the resources that are available to us to help us better serve the public."

Circuit judges also had the opportunity to attend courses about problem-solving courts such as Veterans Treatment Courts and Drug Court, substance abuse issues, search and seizure, tax delinquency, and bankruptcy's effect on state court rulings. Another session focused on a judge's responsibilities in appointing counsel for defendants and in considering waivers of counsel from defendants who want to represent themselves.



Circuit Court Judge Thomas P. Jones

Circuit Court is the court of general jurisdiction that hears civil matters involving more than $5,000, capital offenses and felonies, divorces, adoptions, termination of parental rights, land dispute title cases and contested probate cases.

The college also offered sessions specifically for Family Court judges about child traumatic stress and recent federal legislation on child abuse and neglect and children in foster care. Family Court is a division of Circuit Court. In counties that have a Family Court, the court has primary jurisdiction in cases involving family issues, including divorces, adoption, child support, domestic violence and juvenile status offenses.

The college included 18.75 hours of continuing education credit for the circuit judges. The AOC Division of Judicial Branch Education provides continuing education for judges and circuit court clerks.

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By Janet Tharpe

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– *Janet*

The South's Finest Pralines

What You Need

1 1/2 c sugar
1 1/2 c packed light brown sugar
1/8 tsp salt
3 tbsp dark corn syrup
1 c evaporated milk
2 tbsp butter
1 tsp pure vanilla extract
1 1/2 c pecan halves

Directions

- Butter the sides of a heavy 2-quart saucepan.
- Put the sugars, salt, corn syrup, milk and butter in saucepan.
- Over medium heat, stir mixture constantly with a wooden spoon until sugars have dissolved and mixture comes to a boil.
- Continue to cook to a soft ball stage, approximately 236 degrees on a candy thermometer. (If you do a cold water test, drizzle a drop of candy into a glass of cold water. The ball of candy will flatten between your fingers when you take it out of the water.)
- Remove from heat and allow to cool for 8 minutes.
- Add the vanilla and nuts. Beat with a spoon by hand for approximately 2 minutes or until candy is slightly thick and begins to lose its gloss.
- Quickly drop heaping tablespoons onto waxed paper.
- If the candy becomes stiff, add a few drops of hot water.

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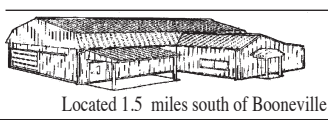


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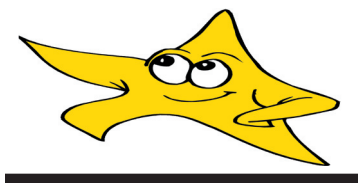
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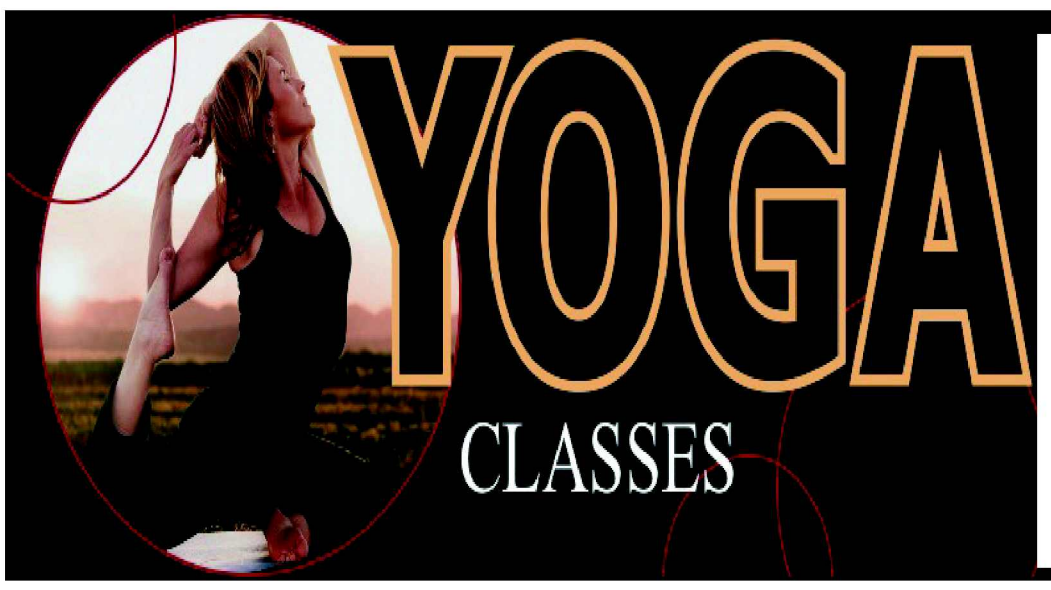


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